

Notice to Arriving Travelers

We regret that it is necessary to take agricultural items from your baggage. They cannot be brought into the United States because they sometimes carry plant and animal pests and diseases. Restricted items include fruits, vegetables, meats, plants, soil and products made from plant or animal materials.

Agricultural pests and diseases are a threat to U.S. food crops and livestock. Some of these organisms are natural "polluters" capable of upsetting local ecological balances by destroying trees and other plant life. They also can affect property values by damaging lawns, ornamental plants and (in the case of termites and other wood-eating insects) even homes.

Confiscated items are carefully destroyed in special facilities of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If you have any questions, write to "Quarantines," U.S. Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 96464, Washington, DC 20090-6464.

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